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:DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF

:INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER

:37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT

Papers filed on June 19, 2002 in response to a "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," mailed March 29, 2002, included a Declaration signed by previously nonsigning inventor David M. Barry in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2834 for examination in due course.

Inquiries related to this decision may be addressed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8680.

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